

NATIONAL NEWS SUMMARY

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- BLOCKADE ORDERED
- SEA BATTLE LOOMS
- MILITARY BUILD-UP

THE U. S. BLOCKADE of Cuba officially went into effect at 9 a.m. EST Wednesday. American ships ring the Caribbean island under orders to halt all incoming ships, search them, turn back any carrying missiles or other offensive weapons, and sink them if they refuse to obey orders. Twenty-five Soviet vessels, some believed to be carrying missiles and jet bombers, were reported heading toward Cuba and a showdown appeared likely late Wednesday or on Thursday. Soviet Premier Khrushchev telegraphed British philosopher Bertrand Russell that Russia would take no reckless action and suggested a summit meeting on Cuba.

PRESIDENT KENNEDY announced the blockade in a speech to the nation and world. He said the action was made necessary by the Soviet build-up in Cuba, and particularly by the construction of intermediate and long-range missile bases there from which an attack could be launched against major cities in the Western Hemisphere. He placed the blame for the dangerous situation squarely on the Soviet Union and warned that a missile launched from Cuba against any target in this hemisphere would bring a U. S. attack on Russia.

THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL is meeting to consider a U. S. resolution to send UN observers to Cuba to supervise the dismantling of the missile bases. This plan has almost no chance of adoption because of Soviet veto power. Russia and Cuba have proposed that the blockade be lifted immediately. Some observers noted that the Russian delegate was less vituperative than he might have been. On Wednesday 45 neutral nations represented by Ghana, the United Arab Republic (Egypt), and Cyprus called on Acting Secretary General U. Thant to persuade all concerned not to take any provocative actions.

INTERNATIONAL reaction to the Cuban crisis followed the expected pattern. The Organization of American States endorsed the U. S. action, and the President waited for this approval before signing the proclamation initiating the blockade. Britain, France, and most of our NATO allies support us. Cuba and Russia took immediate action to increase their military preparedness. On Wednesday, the Soviet Union rejected a U. S. note explaining the blockade and officially warned that it might lead to a thermonuclear war. (Continued on Page 7)

Nuclear Booklets At Town Office

With the blockade around Cuba and the possibility of nuclear attacks on the United States, town manager T. W. Bloomfield reminded today that a special booklet on Fall-out Protection is available in the town office, without charge.

The brightly colored yellow booklet is put out by the office of civil defense, and tells the basic facts of "what to know and what to do about nuclear attacks." Bloomfield is civil defense head for Prince Edward County.

Since the President's talk Monday, only one or two booklets have been taken from the free display rack, indicating that the people of Farmville are not too concerned about nuclear attack.

Three To Be Heard Nov. 16

Court Grants Hearing Delay For 62 Powhatan Plaintiffs

U. S. District Judge John D. Butzner Jr., granted a defense motion Tuesday to defer further hearings in the Powhatan school integration case until another case has been heard in Richmond Circuit Court.

At the same time, however, Judge Butzner said he felt applications from three of the Negro children in the case who are seeking entrance to white schools, could be heard by the court in a separate action.

The case was argued Friday. Counsel for the Powhatan school officials said the case should not

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Buckingham Veterans Memorial Hall, which will house new industry temporarily until a permanent building is constructed. A branch of the

Appomattox Garment Company will begin operations here in several weeks.

May Expand To 125 Workers

Garment Plant Will Start Operation In Buckingham

By GENEVIEVE AGEE
BUCKINGHAM, Oct. 25 — A subsidiary of the Appomattox Garment Company will begin operation here as soon as the necessary alterations to tempo-

rary quarters can be made, according to Frank E. Webb, chairman of the Buckingham County Planning Commission. Fred Lawson, general manager and part owner of the Appomattox Garment Company, has announced he will install a training plant immediately. The new factory will turn out children's dresses.

It will be set up temporarily in the Buckingham Veterans Memorial Hall, one mile east of Buckingham Courthouse on Rt. 60.

Temporary Lease

The building is being leased to the garment company by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion Post on a temporary basis. This is the only building available that meets the company's needs.

Members of both organizations feel that this will be of benefit to the county and its citizens. Plans are for a permanent building to be constructed in the future. A definite location has not been established.

Taking Applications

Applications for work will be taken Saturday, Oct. 27, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon at the Veterans Hall. Lawson said 30 experienced persons will be employed at the start of the

operation, with planned expansion to 125 employees later. At present the Hall will accommodate 60 workers. The Appomattox Garment Company has been in operation for a number of years at Appomattox, with branch operations at Bedford, Lynchburg and Altavista.

This is the first new industry to be brought into the county since the County Planning Commission has been in existence.

The firm was located through the combined efforts of the Buckingham County Planning Committee and the Rural Area Development Committee.

Gideons' Rally, Church Visits Saturday, Sunday

Members of The Gideons International from many sections of Virginia will be here for the annual rally of the Farmville Camp October 27 and 28.

The Gideons will present messages at Sunday School or congregational worship services Sunday at 39 churches in the counties of Prince Edward, Cumberland, Amelia and Nottoway.

The fellowship banquet at Hotel Weyanoke Saturday night at 6 p.m., will precede the visits to the churches. Gordon H. Ingham, state president, will present the banquet speaker Haywood Woodbridge of Lynchburg.

Ministers and their wives of all denominations welcoming the Sunday visitors will be special guests of the Camp for the fellowship banquet.

O. H. Whitten, president of the Farmville Camp reports that the group has placed 14,084 Bibles and Testaments in hotels, motels, schools, hospitals, nursing homes and prisons.

The Gideons is an organization of Christian business men who devote many "free hours" to spreading the Gospel.

World Affairs Lecturer At H-SC Monday, Tuesday

Miss Lisa Sergio, Danforth visiting lecturer, will speak in Johns Auditorium, Hampden-Sydney College, at a public lecture on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 8:15 p.m. Her subject will be "A World's-Eye View of Ourselves." At an assembly on Monday, Oct. 29, at 10:30 a.m. in the auditorium she will give a lecture on "The Power of Youth in Today's World." The public may attend both lectures.

Miss Sergio, born in Italy of American and Scottish-Italian parentage, is well known on both sides of the Atlantic. She has been editor, archeologist, radio commentator and lecturer and is the recipient of many honors and awards for broadcasting work.

In two informal sessions with students and faculty at Hampden-Sydney, she will discuss "Spiritual Roads to Political Freedom" and "Better Thinking Instead of Better Weapons."



RICHARD P. LASH

Insurance Agency Here Adds New Associate Agent

Richard P. Lash has been added to the staff of the F. W. Hubbard Insurance Agency here as an associate agent.

Lash, 27, had served last as a field representative for Aetna Casualty and Surety Company working from Richmond.

Prior to serving a year in that capacity, he had spent four years in the U. S. Marine Corps at Quantico, and Hawaii.

He completed his military tour with the rank of first lieutenant. A native of Wheeling, W. Va., the new agent here was graduated in 1957 at Bethany College, Bethany, W. Va. He participated in varsity football, basketball and baseball and captained all three sports at Bethany.

With Mrs. Lash, the former Dorothy O'Konski, also of Wheeling and a former student at Bethany College, he has established residence at 605 First avenue. The family also includes daughter, Vicki Lynn, age two.

With the agency here, the new associate staff member will be an underwriter for all lines of insurance, casualty, fire and marine.

Local View

Several of the applications for the children seeking transfer were filed on paper other than the forms provided by the Pupil Placement Board. The county school officials contend that the papers so filed are not applications.

Therefore, says the county, "There is no duty upon the school board or its division superintendent to take any affirmative steps to ascertain whether all or any of said papers are genuine or spurious but that they may disregard same and pay no further attention thereto."

The Pupil Placement Board is the agency charged with assigning almost all Virginia public school pupils to various schools.

Judge's View

Of the state court suit, Judge (Continued on Page 7)

Farmville District Is First Over The Top In Fund Drive

LC Circus Saturday

'Big Top' Coming To Campus

Circus, the fall Longwood College student extravaganza that welds classmates together and provides a colorful fall alumnae homecoming and parents' day occasion, will be held Saturday.

'Grease Paint and Baggy Pants' is the 1962 Circus theme to be unfolded in the 4 p.m., midtown parade and the 8 p.m., 'big top' routine of animals, clowns, class skits and the concluding midway.

The parade, to be led by Animal Trainer Mary Jane Brittingham, of Portsmouth, will present to public view almost the entire student body of 1,200. The animals and clowns will perform in and around the wheeled class floats and the marching class contingents in class colors.

Parade Route

The competitive class floats, elaborately constructed by student carry out some phases of the 1962 circus theme.

The parade will move north on Pine street at the college to Third street, turn east on Third as far as Main street, thence up Main street to High and the return via High to the college.

Ringmaster Evelyn Gray, Portsmouth junior, will be master of ceremonies for the Big Top events in Jarman Auditorium. These commence at 8 p.m. with the antics of the clowns and the animal acts, under the whip lash direction of the animal trainer, leading off. By Circus tradition, the ringmaster is an outstanding junior.

Then come the student-prepared skits, also carrying out the Circus theme and each 15 minutes long. They are judged on originality and class participation. The winning skit, together with the class identity of the winning parade float, are announced at the end of the Big Top program.

Gala Midway

The Circus fans wind up the day's holiday round on the midway in the Main recreation room in Ruifner. Here are featured, in customary midway fashion, apple cider, hot dogs, peanuts. (Continued on page 7)

Brrrr... 22 Degrees!

The 22-degree temperature recorded at Farmville Thursday morning was the lowest reading in 10 years. Weatherman E. F. Striplin reports. He recorded 15 degrees on October 21, 1952.

Wednesday morning's temperature was 27 degrees, but it took Thursday's 22 degrees to constitute the area's first killing frost.

A rainfall record for October may be in the offing if some doesn't come soon, Striplin adds. He has recorded only 0.24 of an inch so far this month.



CLOWNING IT UP. Longwood College Alpha Kappa Gamma members due for clown roles in Saturday's campus circus, frolic in costumes they'll wear in the downtown parade and evening big top. In the group are Betty Stack, Sandy Phlegar, Sandra Freedman, general Circus chairman, Alvie White, Elaine Lohr, Sherill Hudlow, Margaret Vaughan and Pam Bullen.

23-Church Association

6,000-Member Baptist Group Picks Name, Adopts Constitution Today

A 23-church Baptist Association, carved from the sprawling territory of the Appomattox and Concord Associations, will be launched today (Friday) at Victoria.

The churches embrace a territory from Farmville to Blackstone on the north and extending southward to the Meherrin river. Portions of Prince Edward, Charlotte, Nottoway and Lunenburg counties are included.

Representatives of the 6,000 communicants, meeting in Victoria Baptist Church, will select a name for the association and consider reports of nominating, constitution and program committees during organizational sessions.

Witness Challenge In church work phases, they will hear Virginia Baptist leaders outline challenges for "co-operative witness" through preaching, teaching, training and missions. They will also hear Dr. Roy Wyatt, missionary to Spain, discuss "Bound by God's Far Purpose."

A fellowship supper of delegates will be held at 6 p.m. Dr. W. Otis McClung, of Farmville, is chairman of the Constitution committee which will present organizational proposals. Other reporting chairmen will be the Rev. William D. Gravatt, Burkeville, nominating; the Rev. J. Russell Dean, Jonesboro, committees; and the Revs. H. B. Habel, Victoria, and Julian Yuille, Kenbridge, program.

Among Baptist leaders to present church-wide causes will be Herbert Carlton, secretary of annuities for Virginia Baptists; J. C. Hatfield, associate secretary, Baptist Sunday School Department; James C. Meade, associate secretary, Brotherhood Department; and Joseph H. Cosby, president of Hargrave Military Institute. (Continued on page 7)

Lower P-TA Meets Thursday

The lower school P-TA of Prince Edward Academy will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 p.m. in the Prince Edward courthouse. State Police will have the program which will include a film and talk on the use of safety belts.

Military Historian, Writer Speaks UDC Commemorative Dinner

Joseph B. Mitchell, of Alexandria military historian and writer will address a dinner gathering of the Farmville Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, and guests here on November 9 in a special UDC event in recognition of the Civil War Centennial.

Colonel Mitchell, a 1937 graduate of the Military Academy at West Point, is the author of the book, "Decisive Battles of the Civil War" now in its fourth printing. A paperback edition is now out.

His subject for the post-dinner address will be "From Saylor's Creek to Appomattox." The gathering will be held at Hotel Weyanoke at 6:30 p.m.

The visiting writer has also authored "Decisive Battles of the American Revolution" which was published this month. He was co-editor, with Scott Hart, of the commemorative booklet for the First Manassas Reenactment, and is co-author of a booklet soon to be printed for the City of Washington. He has written numerous articles for encyclopedias.

Col. Mitchell is also a graduate of the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, and the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth. He served with the Fifth Division Artillery during World War II and afterward as a member of the War Department General Staff.

He was then assigned as Chief of the Historical Division of the American Battle Monuments Commission, Washington, D. C. He remained with the Commission for seven more years as a civilian after his retirement from active duty in 1954. He is a member of the Society of the Cincinnati and a past president and now director of the Alexandria Civil War Round Table.



TB Directors During Sanatorium Visit

The board of the Southside Tuberculosis Association met Monday at Piedmont Sanatorium at Burkeville. Forty members of the nine-county Association's board of directors were present for a dinner in the cafeteria, a tour of facilities, including the rehabilitation center,

where ceramics, sewing work and leather goods are made by patients, and a business session. Above, Dr. Charles W. Scott, Piedmont Sanatorium director, and Mrs. Emma Anthony, Association executive secretary, lead board members through the cafeteria line.